

Matt Carnegie

From: Anne Crimmins <acrimmin@ihmsisters.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 11:31 AM
To: Matt Carnegie
Subject: Vote no on permitless carry!

Please put a limit on this relentless demand from the NRA and the GOP.

Vote NO on bill 4416.
Ann Crimmins
Monroe, MI 48162

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Matt Carnagie

From: Barb Barton <akikwe@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 11:31 AM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: Oppose House Bill 4416

I am writing to oppose House Bill 4416. Gun violence is real and many people die every day from senseless deaths due to these weapons. There is no rational reason for this bill other than extremist gun rights advocates pushing their agenda to arm everyone. I do not want to live in the wild west. Already today, I hear gun shots on a weekly basis in my neighborhood in north Lansing. I was in a vehicle once with family members of mine who usually carry guns. They got into an argument with another driver over a BUMPER STICKER and the man waved a pistol at us. Had my sister and her family had their guns there would likely have been a shootout and someone could have been killed. Over a BUMPER STICKER.

I have rights, too. The right to feeling safe in the world. I fear the gun rights people way more than the criminals. I do not want more guns on the street. Guns kill.

I strongly oppose House Bill 4416.

Sincerely,
Barbara J. Barton
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Lansing, MI 48906

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Barb Barton
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"I speak for the Trees." the Lorax.

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Endangered Species Consultant
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Matt Carnegie

From: barnhart@msu.edu
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 12:05 PM
To: Matt Carnegie
Subject: Please vote NO on Michigan House Bill 4416 -

Please vote NO on Michigan House Bill 4416, which will allow people to carry a hidden, loaded handgun with no license, background check, or safety training. This is a VERY bad idea... Thank you. Laurie Barnhart, 2335 Indian Hills Dr., Okemos, MI 48864

Matt Carnegie

From: Barbara Niess-May <barbaran@safehousecenter.org>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 1:47 PM
To: Matt Carnegie
Subject: HB 4416

Dear Mr. Carnegie,

Thank you for taking the time to read this email.

I am writing to share my concerns with the permitless carry bill.

For the last 20+ years, I have been part of supporting survivors of domestic violence as they seek safety from those who abuse them. While there are some provisions for those who have been prosecuted for domestic violence, we remain concerned for the assailants who have not been prosecuted and could carry without the process of a permit. While some assailants are reported and held accountable, there are many, many who are not. Domestic violence remains as an under reported crime, general literature states that about 1 in 4 cases of domestic violence are reported.

I am more than happy to be helpful as I can be. I can be reached via cell at 734-255-2324.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Barbara

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Barbara Niess-May, MPA, MSW
Executive Director
SafeHouse Center

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Matt Carnagie

From: Peter Bertocci <bertocci@oakland.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 2:22 PM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: HB 4416

Honorable Members of the House Judiciary Committee:

I carry in my wallet a legally required license to drive automotive vehicles, which certifies that I am competent to do so, having had training in and passed examinations on (a) how to operate such vehicles and (b) what the laws governing driving them are. My license also indicates that, at the time I obtained it, I was, and presumably still am, physically and mentally able to drive these vehicles safely.

If we require such a license for driving cars, and if the public in general accepts such a requirement, why on earth should we not require similar permits of persons seeking to carry concealed firearms? Our state currently does require such permits and that the latter are considered essential and common sensical by the public in general, including most gun owners. This permit requirement is not generally seen as violating the 2nd Amendment. HB 4416 seeks to accomplish the goals of its sponsors by deleting from the Penal code much, if not all, language aimed at ensuring public safety.

I join those who not only fail to discern common sense in so doing, but who also support law enforcement officers who see permitless carrying of firearms as adding to the danger they risk in doing their duty to protect the public.

I urge the committee to vote against HB 4416.

Yours truly,

**Peter J. Bertocci
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Ann Arbor, MI 48103**

Matt Carnegie

From: Barbara Bratherton <barbarabratherton@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 2:36 PM
To: Matt Carnegie
Subject: Today's gun legislation

To whom it may concern:

We are writing to express our angst and astonishment over the proposed gun legislations occurring in Lansing this afternoon, and to encourage the judiciary to vote a BIG NO. Have we lost all common sense that we would even entertain the idea that these proposals would serve our communities and the State of Michigan as a whole? Stand back from the gun lobby money and move towards common sense and safety for all of our citizens.

James and Barbara Bratherton
Kalamazoo, Mi 49008

Matt Carnagie

From: Louise Wright <wilei@icloud.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 2:53 PM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: HB 4416

Dear Representative,

I am writing to urge you to oppose HB4416 in the Judiciary Committee. It will result in more unqualified, inexperienced carriers of weapons amongst innocent citizens and present a huge problem for law enforcement officers.

Thank you for your consideration of my views.

Sincerely,

**Louise Wright
308 Woodside Ave
Kalamazoo, MI 49006**

Louise
Sent from phone

Matt Carnagie

From: Cheryl <joecheryl@prodigy.net>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 3:08 PM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: Permitless carry!

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE VOTE NO!

Cheryl Bistayi

Sent from my iPhone

Matt Carnagie

From: ballenkazo@cs.com
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:19 PM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: HR4416

Dear Committee members: I am asking you to not approve HR4416. Generally maturity and judgement comes with experience and time. Although there are exceptions, many eighteen year olds do not exhibit the maturity and judgment that would insure a safe environment if they are blankly allow to carry concealed weapons. I have not heard where this is a pressing need for our society. The only beneficiary of this law is the gun manufactures because f increased market.

Sincerely



Harold Ballen
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Matt Carnagie

From: Andrea Gaines McCarthy <andemccarthy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:20 PM
To: Matt Carnagie
Subject: Permitless carry

We will soon be "the Wild West" with a law that allows anyone to carry a gun. Bad bad idea. Andrea mccarthy

Sent from my iPhone

May 23, 2017

To the members of the House Judiciary Committee,

Today you are hearing testimony, and will soon vote, on a package of bills, HBs 4416-4419, which opponents call the Permitless Carry bills, and which proponents have dubbed the Return to Constitutional Carry

We, Rick Omilian and Martha Omilian of Plainwell, MI in Kalamazoo County, are opponents of this current package of bills under your consideration. Having attended the first set of testimony on these bills on May 16, 2017, we heard many of the opinions brought forth by proponents of these bills, which focused on the perceived rights, and accompanying emotions of gun owners, both open carry and concealed carry supporters. We oppose these bills in a similar mixture of perceived rights and accompanying emotions, but as citizens who are also survivor victims and survivor families who have lost loved ones to gun violence in the past. And we are joined by many others who share our concerns about the wisdom of these bills and others in planning now, which we feel threaten the public safety of all in our communities. Our daughter, Maggie Wardle, was murdered by an ex-boyfriend, who then committed suicide, on the campus of Kalamazoo College in October 1999. These current bills, if law in 1999, would have done nothing to protect our daughter, but would have made it much easier for her killer to obtain a firearm to hurt her. Of that we are sure.

But we have these concerns, not because, as a proponent of them last week stated, we fear that communities will become shooting ranges of death, but because we know that they will do nothing to stem the high number of our current gun deaths and injuries, as happened to our daughter. It will likely increase them due to the presence of guns in situations where women, children, and depressed, desperate men and veterans are vulnerable and in which someone may make an impulsive deadly outcome more possible. The types of gun incidents which have occurred in our communities in the past week, such as neighborhood disagreements, road rage incidents, and domestic violence situations in which the presence of a gun fed the deadly emotions of the participants. The effects on the survivors and the families of the dead, regardless of the specifics and nature of the incidents, are immeasurable, long-lasting, and physically and emotionally devastating. That is the true cost and effect of gun violence in our communities.

We know this as survivors - these bills and others like them will do nothing to lower gun violence in our communities or to make them safer. They will please those who want to have more guns in more places and who feel they have lost their rights to defend themselves and theirs. We ask the members of this committee to listen to testimony, especially of law enforcement officers today, and to vote NO on all of these proposed reckless bills.

Thank you,

The block contains two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The signature on the left is 'Martha Omilian' and the signature on the right is 'Rick Omilian'. Both are written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rick and Martha Omilian

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Matt Carnagie

From: Margaret Bruder <margbrude@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 4:53 PM
To: Matt Carnagie

I reject the house bill that would allow permit less carry of loaded weapons and beg you to reject it as well. Background checks are an absolute necessity in order for someone to get a permit to carry a loaded gun. If we don't think an 18 to 21 year old is mature enough to vote why do we think they are mature enough to carry a loaded gun and not have any background check. Impulsivity at that age has been known to cause an innocent rowdy incident to turn into an attempted murder. Tragic stories abound when you allow a young man or woman to carry a loaded gun.

Margaret Bruder